The Pomaunder of Prayers, made by Thomas Becon.

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I Pleasantly do I smell, as it were Cinamone, and sweete Balme.

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Pro expressa vides vivas imitantia vultus,
Quod potuit calamo Pictor, et arte vides:
Mentis quæ nullus potuit tibi reddere Pictor
Effigiem scriptis, præluit ipse suis.

HOw needefull (good Christian Reader) prayer is, the manifolde calamities of this miserable lyfe, our Sauiour Iesus Christ, the Apostles, & other holy fathers doe throughly teache vs. And for that prayer is a mournyng, and a desire of the spirite to Godward for that which she lacketh, euē as the sicke sorroweth in his hart, longyng for health: whereby (being reconciled to God by faith) we may enioy the thyng we craue, or haue neede of: how desperate may we be thought thē to shew our selues slacke therin? how worthely suffer we daungers, that wilfully incur the same? or which we may easily auoyde, if we will our selues? Pray therefore,

In all places, and at all tymes, remember the readines of Gods gracious loue, his gentlenes, & kindnes: who biddeth vs to aske, and it shall be geeuen, to knock: and it shall be opened. And whensoeuer thou laboureſt, and art burdened, be thou assured the Lord will offer himselfe to be reconciled, if thou thy-selfe be willing wyth faythfull prayer to call for the same. To the furtheryng whereof, and to make thee the more prone thereunto, thou hast heere a manuell, or (as I may better say,) a sweet pommander of prayers, wherein thou hast of al sorts to apply vnto thy reliefe, as time and neceſſitie shall moue thee in that behalfe.

The pomander of prayers.

The prayer for the Morning.

I Render vnto thee, (O heauēly Father,) most harty thankes by thy deare Sonne Iesus Christ, that this night past, thou hast vouchedsafe of thy fatherly goodnesse, to preserue me from all euill, and to geue my

body reſt & ſleepe: I
now moſt entirely
beſeeche thee that as
thou haſt rayſed vp
this my body from
ſleepe: ſo likewiſe ꝑ
wilt deliuer my mind
frō the ſleepe of ſinne,
and frō the darkenes
of this worlde, that I
walkyng in the lyght
of thy bleſſed worde
may onely do that is
pleaſaunt in thy ſight
profitable to myneigh
bour

bour and healthful to my soule. Amen.

A prayer for the Euenyng.

I Most hūbly thāke thee, O mercyfull father, for preseruyng me this day from all misfortunes, and for thy other benefites wherewith thou hast plēteously blessed mē. I beseech thee forgeue me al my sins, wher-

with I haue offended thy fatherly goodnes, from the very beginning of my lyfe, vnto this present houre, & take me this night into thy tuityon, that mine enemyes, maye haue no power ouer me, but that my body enioying a sweete sleepe, my minde may cõtinually watch vnto thee, and through faith beholde thy bles-

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sed inatestye w a per
fect hope after thys
frayle and transitory
lyfe, to possesse that
immortall and hea-
uēly life, where thou
gloriously liuest, and
reignest, with thy on
ly begotten sonne, &
the holy Ghost, one
true, and euerlasting
God, worlde with-
out end, Amen.

¶A prayer for the for-
geuenes of sinne.

O My Lord & onely Sauiour Jesu Christ, which camest into this worlde to take away the heauy burdens of them that were loden, to seeke that was lost, to call sinners vnto repentance, to geue euerlasting life to ỹ faithful, and to be a mediator betweene God the father and vs: I poore and wretched sinner

from

frō the very hart la-
ment, and inwardly
bowayle my sinfull &
wzetched life, desiring
that foz thy pzomise
sake accozding to thy
mercifull wont, to be
my mediatour & ad-
uocate vnto God the
father, ý he may foz-
geue me all mine old
sinnes, and so wholy
possesse my harte by
his blessed spirit, that
he may defend, me a-

gayns

gaynſt all perils to
come, which the de-
uill, the world, or the
flesh, imagyneth a-
gainſt me, & ſo chãge
me into a new man,
that mine old ſinnes
being wiped awai in
thy precious blond I
may walke frõ ver-
tue, to vertue, vnto
the glory, and praiſe
of his bleſſed name,
Amen,

A prayer

A prayer vnto God the father.

THy dearelye beloued sonne (o most louing father,) taught vs in his holy gospel, that to knowe thee to be y alone true God, is euerlasting lyfe. Graunt therefore we beseeche thee, that we may truly knowe thee, euē as we are taught by thy holy worde, vnfeynedly with the hart, (e

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cõfesse with ỹ mouth, that thou alone art the true liuing & immortal God our heauenly father, our maker, our preserver, & our defender, that we thus beleuing & confessing, may through thy sonne Christ become heyres of euerlasting life: and as we thus beleue and confesse of thee; so geue vs grace to shewe

forth

forth this our faith by godly conuersation & vertuous liuing, that men seeing our good workes may glorify thee our heauenly father, to whō be praise for euer. Amen.

¶ A prayer vnto God the Sonne.

O Lord Iesu Christ the sonne of the liuyng God, yea, very God him selfe begotten of God the father from

frō euerlasting & cōtinuing true and immortall God, worlds without end: by thee all things were made both in heauen and in earth. By thee also they be conserued and kept in a goodly order: thou art the brightnes of thy fathers glory, thou art the very image of his substance, in thee are hid all the treasures of wisdome

and knowledge, in thee dwelleth all fulnes, by thee are we reconciled to God the father, by thee ar we set at peace with him through the blood of thy cros, by thee we haue free acces vnto the glorious throne of gods maiesty, and by thee ar we brought in through faith vnto this grace, where in we stād & reioice,

in hope of ỹ glory of God: we thanke thee for all thy benefites, and most humbly beseeche thee to geue vs grace faithfully to beleue in thee, stedfastly to confesse thee true God, and true man, earnestly to acknowledge thee our alone redeiner, sauiour, satisfier, reconciler, intercessour, mediator, and aduocate, that we

altogether depẽdyng on thee and thy meri-tes, on thy blessed pas-sion, pzecious death, & glozious resurrec-tion, may study tho-rough thy grace, so to ozder our lyfe in true holynes and in-nocencye, that at the day of iudgemẽt thou mayst pzesẽt vs both body and soule vnto thy heauenly Father, and so foz euer and e-

ner place vs in thy glorious kingedome, Amen.

Vnto God the holy Ghost.

O Holy and blessed spirite, which being true and euerlasting God, with God the Father, and God the Sonne proceedest from them both, ful of maiestye and power, which also, with thy heauenly breath quick-

nest

neſt the minds of thē that afore were dead through ſynne, makeſt mery the hartes of the faythfull penitent, bringſt into the way of truth all ſuch as haue erred & are deceyued, ſetteſt at one, ſuch as were at bate, comforteſt the ſoules of them that hunger and thirſt after righteouſneſſe, & plēteouſlie enricheſt

thē with diuers gifts which pray vnto thee in the name of Iesus Christe, purifie our hartes we beseech thee with the fire of thy loue, mortifie in vs what so euer is not thine, renue and garnish our minds with thy heauenlye benefites and spirituall giftes, that they may be made thy tēples, leade vs into all ne-

cessa-

ceſſary truth, ſuffer vs not to be caryed about with diuers & ſtraūge doctrine, but alway to remaine in that doctrine, whereof thou alone art the author, enarme our ſoules againſt ẏ craftye aſſaultes of ſubtill Sathan, agaynſt the vayne pleaſures of ẏ wicked world, and againſt the leud luſtes of filthy fleſh, that we

being replenyshed wᵗ thy holy breath, may do that onelye which is acceptable in thy godly sight, Amen.

Prayers of the Magistrates.

FOr as muche as it is thy godly pleasure o king of kings, & Lord of Lordes, to appoynt mee among other, a ruler of thy people geue me grace I beseeche thee, so to mis

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IACO.

minister the common
weale, & so to execute
my office, that I may
please thee, and hurte
no man in all my do-
ynges, but iudge e-
qually, and iustly rule
according to thy will,
shew my selfe a father
vnto thy people, and
so behaue my selfe in
all myne enterpryses
that I seking thy glo
ry, the furtherance of
thy blessed gospell, &

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ye weale of ye subiects, may (whē thou shalt rēder to euery mā according to his ordes) be foūd blamles in thi sight, through Iesus Christ our lord. Amē.

SIMO.

AND.

¶ Of the ministers of Gods word.

O Thou high Priest and euerlastynge Bishop Iesus Christ ye alone teacher of all godly truth, and the onely Curate of our

soules

soules, which by thy holy worde haste appointed some of thy cõgregatiõ to be ministers and preachers of thy blessed lawe & glorious Gospell, that by this meanes (the holy Ghost also worckyng) they may call sinners vnto repẽtãce, preach remission of sinnes in thy name, perswade vnto vertue, and disswade from

IACO.

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from vice: forasmuch as it hath pleased the to call me, an vnprofytable seruaunt, vnto that holy office, of ministratyon, and to make mee a preacher of thy worde, I most humblye beseech thee to geue mee thy holy spiryte, which maye leade me into al truth instruct mee with the knowledge of thy holy misteries, and thorough

rough hys heauen=
ly inſpiration ſo pre=
pare my hart, and or=
der my tongue that I
may neyther thinke,
breath, nor ſpeake any
thinge, but that maye
turne vnto thy glory,
& the edyfying of thy
flocke. Graunt alſo,
that what ſo euer I
preache in woorde, I
may fullfyll the ſame
in worke vnto the ex=
aumple of that thy

flock, which thou hast purchased with thy precious blond, that when thou the chief shepheard shalt appeare, I being found faythfull in my office, maye thorroughe thy goodnes receaue the incorruptible crown of glory. Amen.

PAVL.

SIMI.

¶ Of subiectes, or commons.

AS it is thy godly appointmēt,

O Lorde God, that some shoulde beare rule in this world to see thy glory set forth and the comun peace kept: so it is thy pleasure agayn, that some should be subiectes, & inferiours to other in their vocation, although before ỹ there is no respect of persons. And forasmuch as it is thy good will to appoint me in the

number of subiectes, I beseech thee to geue me a faithfull and an obedyent harte vnto the hye powers, that there may be founde in me no disobediēce, no vnfaithfulnes, no treason, no falshood, no dissimulation, no insurrection, no commotiō, no cōspiracy, nor any kynde of rebellyō in worde or in dede against the ciuil

Magistrates, but all faithfulnes, obedience, quietnesse, subiection, humilitie, & what soeuer else becommeth a Subiect, that I liuing here in al lowlinesse of minde, may at the last day through thy fauor be lifted vp vnto euerlasting glory, where y with the father, & the

holy Ghost, liuest and reignest very God for euer. Amen.

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Of Fathers and Mothers.

The fruite of the wombe, & the multitude of children is thy gifte and blessing (O Lord) giuen to this ende, that they maye liue to thy glorie, and the cõmoditie of their neigh-

SACH.

ANNA.

neighboz. Foꝛasmuch therfoꝛe as thou of thy goodnesse haste giuen me childꝛen: I beseech thee giue me also grace to trayne them vp euen from their cradles in thy nourture and doctrine, in thy holye lawes and blessed oꝛdinaunces, that from their very young age, they may

knowe thée, beléeue in thée, feare & loue thée, and diligẽtly walke in thy cõmaundements, vnto the prayse of thy glorious name. Amen

Of children.

THou hast giuen a cõmaundement in thy lawe (O heauenly Father) that children should honor their fathers and mothers: I

most

moste humbly beseche
thee therfore to breath
thy holy spirit into my
breest, that I may reue
rence & honor my Fa-
ther & Mother, not on-
ly with outwarde ge-
stures of my body, but
also with the vnfained
affection of the heart,
loue them, obey them,
pray for thē, helpe thē,
and do for them, bothe

in woꝛd & déed, whatſo
euer lieth in my po-
ſwer, that thou ſæing
mine vnfayned harty
gœd will towarde my
parents maiſt become
my louing heauẽly fa-
ther, & number me a-
mõg theſe thy childꝛẽ,
whõ ÿ haſt appoynted
frõ euerlaſtiug heires
of thy glozious king-
dome thꝛough thy wel

SIMO.

AND.

beloued sonne Jesus Christ our lord. Amē.

Of Masters.

THy commaundement is by thyne holy Apostle (O most merciful lord Christ) that masters shoulde entreat their seruantes gently, putting away threatninges, and doing that vnto them whiche is iuste

and equall, forasmuch as we also haue a master in heauen, with whō ther is no respect of persons: Graunt I most hartily pray thee, that I maye so order my seruaunts, that I attempt none vnrighteousnesse against thē, but so vse my rule and authoritie ouer them that I may alway re-

mem-

member that thou art the cõmon Lord of all, and we al thy seruãts: againe that I may not forget that we be all brothers, hauing one father, which is in heauen, & loke for one glorious kingdom, where thou with the father and the holy Ghost, lyuest and reignest true and euerlasting God,

for euer. Amen.

Of seruaunts.

IACO.

O Lord we are commaunded by thy blessed Apostles, that we should honor and obey our bodily masters with feare and trembling, not only if they be good & curteous, but also thoughe they be froward, and serue thē, not vnto the

PHI.

eye, as men pleasers, but with singlenes of hart, not churlishly answering thē again, nor picking, stealing, or cōueying away any part of their goods vnmustly but shewing all good faithfulnesse vnto our masters, as thoughe we serued God & not mē. Graunt me grace I moste humbly be-

seche

ſéeche thée, ſo to ſerue my maſter, & my ſuperiours, that there may be founde no faulte in me, but that I behauing my ſelfe vpzightly, iuſtly, faithfully, & truly in my vocation, may do wozſhip to the doctryne of thée my God and ſauiour in all things. Amen.

IOAN.

IACO.

Of

Of Maydes.

THere is nothing ỹ becommeth a maid better than silence, shamefastnes, & chastitie of both body & mind. For these things beeing once lost, she is no more a maid, but a strũpet in the sight of god: howsoeuer she disguyseth hir selfe, & dissembleth with the worlde.

Therfore most humbly beseech thée (O mercifull father) frō whō commeth euery good & perfect gift, & without whom we are able to do nothing, that thou wilt so order my tong, & dispose my talk that I speake nothing but that becommeth my state, age, and person, neither that I delight

to

to heare any talk, that
might in any poynte
moue me to lewdnes,
seeing that euil wordes
corrupt good maners.
Giue me also suche
shamefastnesse as may
plucke me away from
the delectation, eyther
of thinking, speaking,
hearing, seeing, or doing euil, that my whole
delight may be in ver-

tue,

tue, in godlineſſe, in eſ-
chewing idleneſſe, in
giuing my ſelfe conti-
nually to ſome godly
exerciſe, but aboue al
things in thinking an
ſpeking of that, in rea-
ding thy bleſſed wordꝛ
& heauenly law, which
is a lanterne to my
fæte, and a light to my
pathes. Wherefore ſuf-
fer neither my mind to

be defiled with euill thoughts, nor my body to be corrupted with any kinde of vnclénes, but giue me grace so to order my selfe in eschewing idleneſſe and wanton wicked companie, that my minde being frée from euil affects, & my body cleare frō al vnclénes, I may be found a mæte tem-

ple for the holy Ghost
to inhabite, and if it be
thy good pleasure here-
after to call me vnto
the honorable state
of matrimonie, that I
may bring also vnto
my husbande a pure &
vndefiled body, and so
liue with him in thy
feare vnto the prayse
and glory of thy bles-
sed name. Amen.

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Of single men.

LOrd thou hast cõmaunded by thine holy Apostle, that we should abstayne from fornicatiõ, and that euery one of vs should know howe to keepe hys vessell, that is to say, his body in holinesse and honour, and not in the lust of concupiscences as doo the

heathen which knowe
not God: I beseech ther
giue me grace to be-
haue myself accordinge
to this thy holy cõmã
dement, that in thys
time of my single lyfe
I defile not my body
with whordome or u
any other vnclennes:
but so order my selfe
with all honestie and
purenes of lyfe, that I

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PETR

maye glozifie thée my
Lozd God both in bo-
dy and spirit. Amen.

Of Husbands.

FOrasmuch (O heauénly father) as thou
hast called me frō the
single life, vnto the ho-
ly state of honozable
wedlock, which is thy
good & blessed ozdinãce
for all them to liue in,
that haue not the gift

of continence, and hast
giuen me a woman to
wife, yᵗ I liuing with
hir in thy feare may a-
uoyd al vnclennesse. I
most hartily pray thee
giue me grace to liue
with hir according to
thy godly pleasure: kil
in me al filthy & fleshly
lusts: suffer me not to
delight in any straũge
flesh, but to content

my selfe only with hir
loue, to loue hir as
Christ loued the con-
gregation, to cherishe
hir as I would cherish
mine owne body, to pro-
uide for hir according
to my abilitie, to in-
struct hir with ye know-
ledge of thy blessed
word, quietly and pea-
ceably to liue w̄ hir,
and to agree together

n such perfect concord
ınd vnitie, as is found
ımõg many members
in one body, seing now
:hat we also are no
noze two, but one
lesh, that other seeing
our godly & quiet con=
uersation, may hereby
be prouoked to forsake
heir filthy liuing, and
o imbrace ỹ holy state
of honorable wedlocke

vnto

vnto the glory & praise of thy holy name. Amē

Of VViues.

O Lord forasmuche as thou of thy fatherly goodnesse hast vouched safe to kæpe me frō my tender age vnto this present, and hast nowe called me frō my single life, vnto ỹ holy state of honorable wedlock, that I

liuing therin, might ac
cording to thine ordi-
nance bring forth chil-
dren vnto thy glory.
Giue me grace I moſt
entirely beſeeche thee
to walk worthy of my
vocatiõ, to knowledge
my huſbande to be my
head, to be ſubiect vn-
to him, to learne thy
bleſſed worde of hym,
to reuerence hym; to

obey him, to please him, to be ruled by him, peaceably & quietly to liue with him, to weare such apparel as is meete for my degree, & by no meanes to delight in costly iewels & proude gallant vestures, but alway to vse such clothing as becõmeth a sober christen woman, circumspect=

BAR.

MAT.

spedily and warely to
loke vnto my house-
hold, that nothing pe-
rishe through my neg-
ligence, and alwayes
haue a diligēt eye that
no dishonestie, no wic-
kednes, no vngodlines
be committed in my
house, but that in it all
thingsbe ordred accor-
ding to thy holy wyll,
which art worthy all

honor, glory, & prayse, for euer & euer. Amen.

A prayer for vvomen with child.

THou O Lorde, art wõderfull in al thy workes, & whatsoeuer thy good pleasure is, ỹ doest thou easily bring to passe, nether is any thing impossible with thée, ỹ thou wilt haue done. And albeit this

thine

thine almighty power
sheweth it selfe abun-
dantly in al thy works
yet in the conceyuing,
forming and bringing
forth of man, it shineth
most euidently. At the
beginning, O heuenly
father, whē thou ma-
dest man and woman,
thou cōmandest them
to encrease, multiplie,
and replenish ẏ earth.

If through the subtill entisements of Satan they had not trãsgressed thy cõmandement by eating the forbidden fruite, the woman whom thou haste appointed the ozgayn instrument, and vessell to conceyue, nourishe, and bring forth man through thy wonderfull workmanshippe,

had

had without any la-
bour, payne, & trauell,
brought forth hir fruit.
But that whiche thy
goodnesse made easie,
sinne and disobedience
hath made hard, payn-
full and dangerous: &
if thy helpe were not,
impossible it were to
be brought to passe, so
that nowe all women
bring forth their chil-

PAVL.

SIMI.

dzen in great sozowes, paynes, and troubles. Notwithstãding thou shewest thy selfe vnto thy creatures a father of mercies, and God ef al consolatiõ. Fo; that which e thzough they; own imperfection and feblenes, they are not able of them selues t; bzing to passe: thou the; rough thine vnspeka-

ble power makeſt it
eaſy in them, & bring
geſt vnto a fortunate
end. We therfore be-
ing fully perſuaded of
thy bountie and ready
goodneſſe, of thy pre-
ſent help, of thy ſwete
comfort in al miſeries
and neceſſities, know-
ing alſo by the te-
ſtimonies of thy holy
worde how great and

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intollerable the paines of women are, that trauel of childe, if through thy tẽder mercies they be not mitigated & eased, most humbly pray thee for Jesus Christs sake thy sonne and our Lorde, that thy louing kindenesse may make that easie and tollerable, whiche sinne hath made harde and

EAR.

MAT.

paynefull. Ease (O
Lord) ỹ paynes which
thou, most righteously
hast put vpon all wo-
men for the sinne & dis-
obediẽce of our grãd-
mother Eue, in whom
al we haue sinned: and
geue vnto all suche as
haue conceiued and be
with child, strength to
bring forth that which
thou wonderfully hast

wrought in them. Be
present with them in
their trouble, helpe thē
and deliuer them. Let
thy power be shewed
no lesse in the safe bring
ging forth, then in the
wonderfull fashioning
of the childe: that that
which thou hast begon
in them, may come vn-
to good successe. Make
them glad and ioyfull

mothers, that they (thorough thy goodnes bée-
ing safely deliuered, & restored to their olde
strength, may liue and prayse thi blessed name
for euer. Amen.

Of Housholders.

TO haue children & seruauntes, is thy blessing (O Lord:) but not to order them accoording to thy worde

deserueth thy dreadfull curse. Graunte therfore, that as thou hast blessed me with an householde: so I may diligētly watch, that nothing be committed of ỹ same, that might offende thy fatherly goodnesse, and be an occasion of turning thy blessing into curssing, but that so

PAVL.

SIMI.

many as thou hast cõ-
mitted to my charge,
maye eschue all vice,
embrace all vertue,
liue in thy feare, call
vppon thy holy name,
learne thy blessed com
maundementes, heare
thy holy worde, and a-
uoyding idlenes, dili-
gently exercise them-
selues euery one in his
office, according to

their vocation and cal-
ling, vnto the glory of
thy moste holy name.
Amen.

¶ Of all Christians.

ALbeit (O heauenly
Father) al we that
vnfainedly profesſe thy
holy religion, & fayth-
fully cal on thy bleſſed
name, are thy ſonnes
& heires of euerlaſting
glory, yet as all the

mẽbers of a body haue not one office, so likewise we bẽing many, and making one body, wherof thy dearly beloued sonne is ỳ head, haue not all one gifte: neither are we all called to one office: but as it hath pleased thẽ to distribute, so receyue we: We therfore most humbly pray thẽ, to

SIMO.

AND.

sende the spirit of loue and concord among vs, that without any disorder or debate, euery one of vs may be content with oure calling, quietly liue in ỹ same, study to doo good vnto all men by the true and diligente exercise thereof, without too muche seekyng of our owne priuate gayne,

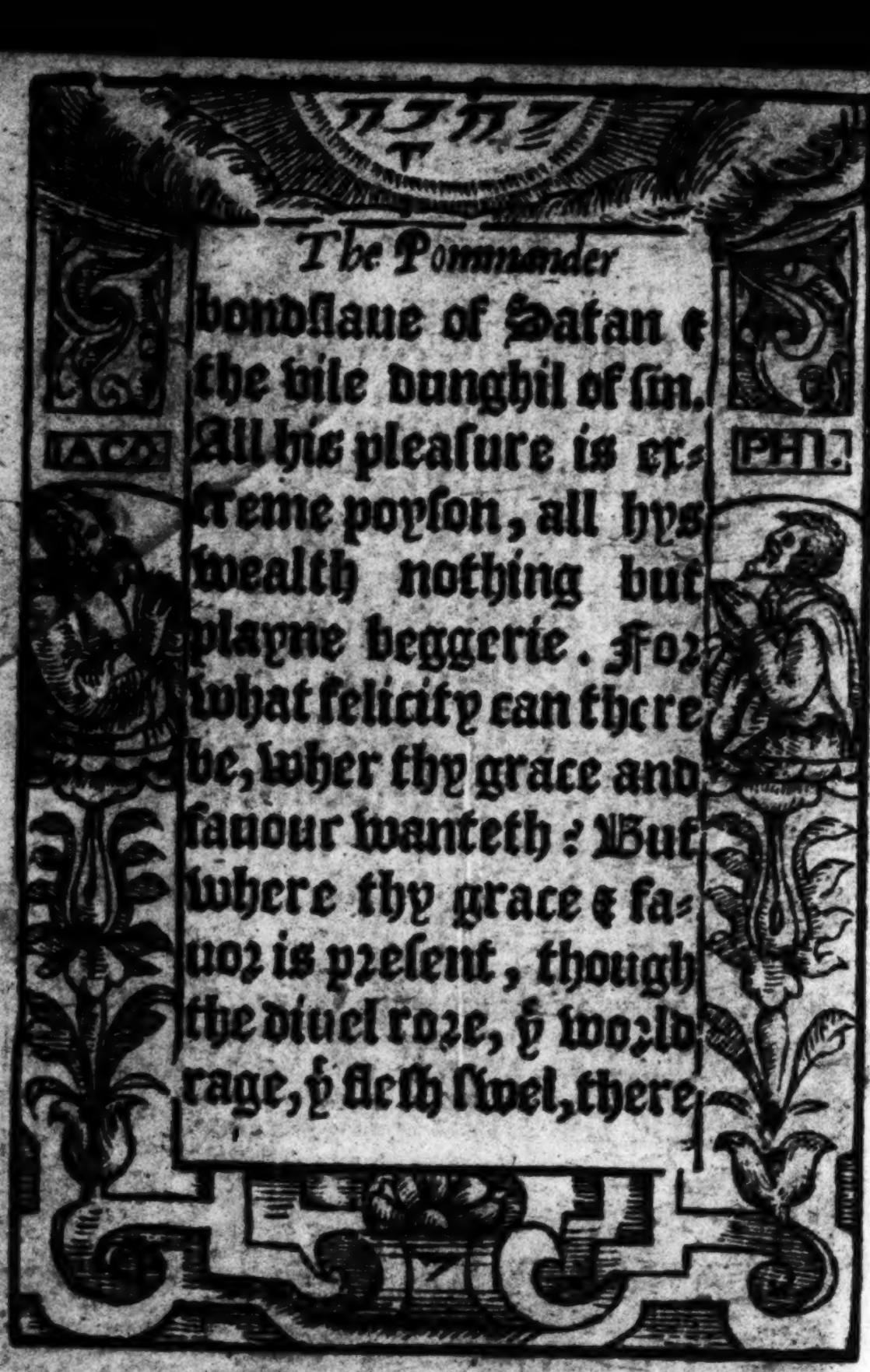
and

and so order our life in
al poynts according to
thy godly will, that by
weldoing we may stop
the mouthes of suche
foolishe and ignorante
people, as report vs to
be euill doers, & cause
them thorough good
workes to glorifie thee
our Lorde God in the
daye of visitation. A-
men.

For the grace and fauour of God.

WHosoeuer liueth wout thy grace, & fauour, O most gracious and fauourable Lorde, although for a time he waloweth in all kind of fleshly pleasures, & abounde with too muche worldly riches, yet is he nothing els but the wretched bonde-

bondslaue of Satan & the vile dunghil of sin. All his pleasure is extreme poyson, all hys wealth nothing but playne beggerie. For what felicity can there be, wher thy grace and fauour wanteth? But where thy grace & fauor is present, though the diuel roze, ỹ worldrage, ỹ flesh swel, there



is true blessednes, vn-
fained plesure, & conti-
nuall wealth. Powre
down therfore thy he-
uenly grace, & fatherly
fauour vpon vs, that
we beeing assured of
thy fauorable goodnes
towardes vs, maye
reioyce and glory in
thee, and haue merry
hartes when so euer
we be moste assayled
with

with any kinde of aduersitie, be it pouertie or sickenesse, losse of friends, or persecution for thy names sake, to whom be glorie for euer. Amen.

¶ For the gift of the holy Ghost.

SO frayle is our nature, so vile is our flesh, so lewde is our harte, so corrupte are our

our affectes, so wicked are all our thoughtes euen from our childehood vpwarde, that of our selues we can neither thinke, breath, speake, or do any thing that is prayse worthy in thy sight, O heauenly Father, yea, except thou doest assiste vs with thy merciful goodnes, all things are so

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ANNA

farre out of frame in
vs, that we ſée nothing
preſent in our ſelues,
but thy heauy diſplea-
ſure, and eternal dam-
natiõ. Vouchſafe ther-
fore, O ſwéet Father,
to ſende thy holy ſpirit
vnto vs, whiche may
make vs newe crea-
tures, put away from
vs all fleſhly luſtes, fill
our hartes with newe

affectes, and ſpirituall
notions, and ſo altogi-
ther renue vs bothe in
body & ſoule throughe
his godly inſpiration,
that we may dye vnto
olde Adam, and lyue
vnto thee in newneſſe
of lyfe, ſeruing thee
our Lorde God in holi-
nes and righteouſneſſe
all the days of our life.
Amen.

¶ For the true knowledge of our selues.

IT is written in thy holy Gospel, most louing sauior, that thou camest into this world not to cal ỹ righteous, that is suche as iustifie them selues, but sinners vnto repentance. Suffer me not therefore (O Lord) to be in the nũber of those iu-

ſticiaries, whiche boa-
ſting in their owne righ
teouſneſſe, their owne
woꝛkes and merites
deſpiſe the righteouſ-
nes that commeth by
fayth, whiche alone is
alowable beſoꝛe thée.
Geue mée grace to
knowe, and to knowl-
ledge my ſelf as I am,
euen & ſonne of wꝛath,
by nature, a wꝛetched

Inner, and an vnprofi-
table seruant, & wholly to depende on thy
mercifull goodnesse w̄
strong and vnshaken
fayth, ỳ in this worlde
thou mayst continual-
ly cal me vnto true re-
pentance, seeing I con-
tinually sinne, & in the
worlde to come bring
me vnto euerlasting
glory. Amen.

¶ For a pure and a cleane hart.

THe harte of man naturally is lewd & vnsearchable throughe the multitude of sinnes, whiche as in a stinking dunghill lyeth buried in it, in so much that no man is able to say, my hart is cleane, & I am cleane from sinne. Remoue

from me therefore, O
heauenly Father, my
lewd, stony, stubborne,
stinking, and vnfayth-
ful hart, create in me a
cleane harte free from
all noysome & vngodly
thoughts. Breath into
my harte by thy holy
spirite, godly and spiri-
tual motions, that out
of the good treasure of
the hart, I may bring

IOAN.

IACO.

forth good things vnto the prayse & glory of thy name. Amen.

For a quiet cõscience.

THe wicked is like a raging sea, whiche is neuer in quiet, neither is there any peace to the vngodly: but suche as loue thy lawe (O Lorde) they haue plentie of peace, they haue quiet min-

des and contented con-
sciences, whiche is the
greatest treasure vn-
der the sunne, geuen
of thee to so many as
seeke it at thy hande,
with true fayth, and
continuall prayer.
Geue me (O Lorde)
that ioyfull Iewell,
euen a quiet mind and
a frée mery conscience,
that I béeing frée from

the damnable accusa-
tions of Sathan, from
the craftie perswasi-
ons of the worlde, from
the subtil enticements
of the flesshe, from the
heauie curse of ỹ law,
and fully perswaded
of thy mercifull good-
nes towarde me tho-
roughe faythe in thy
Sonne Christe Jesu,
maye quietlye serue
thee

thée bothe bodily and
ghostly in holines, and
rightеousnesse all the
dayes of my life. Amē

LVCA.

IOA.

For fayth.

FOrasmuche as no-
thing pleaseth thée
that is done without
fayth, appeare it be-
fore the blinde worlde
neuer so beautifull &
commendable, but is
counted in thy sight
sinfu

sinfull and damnable,
yea, the selfe sinne and
damnation. This is
most humbly to desire
thee, O father, for Thri
stes sake to breath in
to my hart by the holy
spirit this moste preci
ous & singuler gifte of
fayth, which worketh
by charitie, wherby al
so we are iustified and
receyued into thy fa
uour

uour, that I truly be-
leuing in thee, & fully
perſuaded of thy holy
worde, maye be made
thy ſon, and inheritour
of euerlaſting glory,
throughe Jeſu Chriſt
our Lorde. Amen.

SIMO

IVDA

For Charitie.

THy cogniſance and
badge, wherby thy
Diſciples are knowen
(O Lord and ſauiour

Jesus Christ) is cha-
ritie or loue which cō-
meth oute of a pure
hart, & of a good consci-
ence, & of fayth vnfay-
ned, I pray thée there-
fore giue me this chri-
sten loue & perfect cha-
ritie, that I may loue
thee my Lorde God
with all my hart, with
all my minde, with all
my soule, and with all

my

my strength, doing al-
way of very loue that
only which is pleasant
in thy sighte: agayne,
that I maye lous my
neighbour and christi
brother as my self, wi-
shing aswell to him, as
to my self, and ready at
all times to do for him
what so euer lyeth in
my power, that when
we al shal stand before
thy

thy dreadfull iudging place; I being knowen by thy badge, may be numbred among thy Disciples, & so through thy mercy receyue the reward of eternall glory. Amen.

For Patience.

WHen thou liuedst in this world, O Lorde Christe, thou shewedst thy selfe a

CHRI.

PETR.

mére mirrour of per-
fect patience, suffering
quietly not ỹ spitefull
wo2ds, but also ỹ cru-
ell dées of thy mo&te
cruell enemies, fo2ge-
ning them, & p2aying
fo2 them which mo&t
ty2antlike hãdled thee.
Geue mee grace (O
thou mo&t meeke & lo-
uing lambe of God) to
folowe thys thy pati-

ence, quietly to beare the slanderous words of mine aduersaries, patiently to suffer the cruell deedes of mine enemies, to forgeue them, to pray for thē, yea, to do good for them, & by no meanes to go about once to auenge my selfe, but rather geue place vnto wrath, seing that ven-

geance is thine, & thou
wilt reward, seing also
that thou helpest them
to their right that suf-
fer wrong, that I thus
patiently suffering all
euils, may afterwards
reigne with thée in glo
ry. Amen.

For Humilitie.

WHat haue we (O
heauēly Father)
that we haue not re-

ceyued? Euery good gift, & euery perfect gift is from aboue, & commeth down from thée, which art the Father of lights. Seeing then, all ỳ we haue is thine, whether it perteyne to the body, or to ỳ soule, how can we be proud, and boast our selues of that which is none of our owne: seeing also

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ANNA.

that as to giue, so to take away agayn thou art able, & wilt, whensoeuer thy giftes be abused, and thou not knowledged to be the giuer of them. Take therfore away frō me all pryde and hautines of minde, and graft in me true humility, that I may knowledge thée the giuer of all good

thinges, be thankfull vnto thée for thē, and vse them vnto thy glory, & the profite of my neighbour: graunt also that all my glory & reioising may be in no earthly creatures, but in thée alone, whiche doest mercy, equitie, & righteousnesse vppon earth. To thée alone be glory. Amen.

The Commander

For mercifulnes.

THy dearly beloued
Sonne in his holy
Gospell exhorted vs to
be mercifull, euen as
thou our heauenly fa-
ther art mercifull, and
promiseth that if we be
mercifull to other, we
shall obteyne mercy of
thee, which art the fa-
ther of mercies, and
God of all consolation,

Graunt therfore that forasmuch as thou art our father, & we thy children, we may resemble thée in all our life and conuersation, and that as thou arte beneficial and liberal, not onely to the good, but also to the euil: so we likwise may shew our selues mercifull, gentle, and liberall to

so many as haue néede of our help, that at the dreadfull day of dome we may be fouñd in the number of thole mer-cifull whom thou shalt appoynt by thy onely begotten sonne to go into euerlastyng lyfe, to whome wyth thée, and the holy Ghost be all honour and prayse. Amen.

For true godlines.

IN thy lawe, O thou maker of heauen & earth, thou hast appoynted vs a way to walke in, and hast commaunded that we shoulde turne neyther on the right hand, nor on the left, but do according to thy good will and plesure, without addyng of oure owne

own good entents and
deshely imaginations.
As thou hast cõmaun-
ded so giue me grace
good Lorde to do. Let
me nether folow mine
owne wil, nor the fan-
cies of other men, nei-
ther let me be begiled
with the visard of olde
customes, long vsages,
fathers decrées, ancíẽt
lawes, nor any other

thing ẏ ſighteth with thy holy ordinãces, and bleſſed cõmandementes, but ſaythfully beleue, and ſtedfaſtly cõfeſſe that to be the true godlines which is learned in thy holy Bible, and accoꝛding vnto the pꝛaiſe of thy holy name Amen.

For the true vnderſtãding of Gods word.

O Lord

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PAVL.

SIMI.

O Lorde as thou a-
lone art ỹ author
of thy holy scriptures,
so likewise can no man
althogh neuer so wise,
politike, and learned,
vnderstande them, ex-
cepte he be taught by
thy holy spirite, which
alone is the scholema-
ster to leade ỹ faithfull
into all truth. Vouch-
safe therefore I moste

humbly beſeech thée to
breath into my harte
thi bleſſed ſpirit which
may renue ẏ ſenſes of
my mind, opẽ my wits
reuele vnto me ẏ true
vnderſtanding of thy
holy miniſteries, and
plant in me ſuch a cer-
ten & infallible know-
ledge of thy truth, ẏ no
ſubtill perſwaſion of
mans wiſedome may

pluck

pluck me frō thy truth
but that as I haue lerned the true vnderstā-
ding of thy blessed wil,
so I may remayne in
the same continually,
come life, come death,
vnto the glory of thy
blessed name. Amen.

For a life agreable to
our knowledge.

AS I haue prayed
vnto thee (O heā-
uenly

MA.M

MA.I.

uenly father) to be tau-
ght the true vnderstã-
ding of thy blissed word
by thy holy spirite, so I
moste entirely beseech
thee, to giue me grace
to leade a life agreable
to my knowledge. Suf-
fer me not to be of the
number of them which
professe that they know
god with their mouth,
but deny him w̄ their

MAT.

MAR.

dedes. Let me not be
like vnto that sonne,
which said vnto his fa-
ther, ỳ he would labor
in his vineyarde, & yet
labored nothing at al,
but went abrode loy-
tering idely. Make me
rather like vnto ỳ good
and fruitful land, whi-
che yeldeth againe hir
seede with greate in-
crease, that men seing

my good workes, may glorifie thee my heauenly father. Amen.

¶ For the health of the body.

I Feele in my selfe, O mercyfull Sauiour, howe greeuous a prison thys my body is vnto my soule, whiche continually wisheth to be loosned oute of this vile carkasse, & to come

onto thée, seing it hath
here no rest, but is at
euery heure vexed w
the filthy lustes of the
flesh, with the wicked
assaultes of the diuell
and the world, and is
neuer at quiet, but al-
way in daunger to be
ouercome of hir ene-
mies, were it not pre-
serued of thy goodnes
by the ministerie and

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seruice done of thy holy Angels. Notwithstanding, O moste louing Lord, forasmuche as it is thy good pleasure, that my body and soule shall stil remayne here togither as yet in this vale of misery: I beseech thee to preserue my soule from al vice, and my body frō al sickues, ỹ I enioying thy-

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thy benefite, the health both of body and soule, may be the moze able to serue thee, and my neibour in such wozks as are acceptable in thy sight. Amen.

For a good name.

NOthing becõmeth the professour of thy name better (O heauenly father) then so to behaue him selfe

acco2ding to his p2ofes=
sio, tl at he may be wel
repo2ted of them that
be of the houſeholde of
faith, yea ſuch ſinceri=
tie and purenesse of
lyfe ought to be in thi
which p2ofesse thy ho=
ly name, that the very
Aduersaryes of thy
truth ſhoulde be asha=
med once to mutter a=
gainſt them. Giue me

grace therfore I most
intirely desire thee, so
to frame my life accor-
ding to the rule of thy
blessed Worde, that I
may giue no man oc-
casion to speake euill
of mee, but rather so
liue in my vocation,
that I may be an en-
sample to other to liue
godly and vertuously,
vnto the honour and

prayse of thy glorious name. Amen.

¶ For a competent liuing.

ALthough I doubte not of thy fatherly prouision for this my poore and nedy life, yet forasmuch as thou hast both commanded, and taught me by thy dear son, to pray vnto thee for thinges necessarie

BAR.

MAT.

for thys my life, I am
bolde at this presente
to come vnto thy di-
uine Maiestie, moste
humbly beseching thee
that as thou hast gi-
uen me lyfe, so thou
wilt giue me meate &
drinke to sustayne the
same. Agayne as thou
haste giuen me a bo-
dy, so thou wilt geue
mee clothes to couer

it, that I hauing sufficient for my liuing, maye the more freely, and with the quieter minde apply my selfe vnto thy seruice, and honour. Amen.

¶For a patient and thankful hart in sicknes.

WHom thou louest (O Lorde) him doest thou chasten, yea

euery

euery sonne that thou receyuest, thou scourgest, and in so doing thou offerest thy selfe vnto him, as a father vnto his sonne. For what sonne is he whō the father chastneth not? Graunt therfore I moste hartily prayt thee, that whensoeuer thou layest thy crosse on me, and visitest me

with thy louing scurge of sickness, I may by no meanes striue against thy fatherly pleasure, but patiently & thankfully abide thy chastisement, euer being perswaded that it is for the health both of my body & soule, and that by this meanes thou worckest my saluation, subduest the flesh vnto

the

the spirite, and maketh me a newe creature, that I may hereafter serue thee the more freely, and continue in thy feare vnto my liues ende. Amen.

SIMO.

IVDA.

¶ For strēgth agaynst the diuel, the vorld, and the flesh.

O Lord God, the diuell goeth aboute like a roaring Lyon,

seeking whom he may deuour. The flesh lusteth agaynst the spirite. The worlde perswadeth vnto vanyties, that we may forget thee, oure Lorde God, and so for euer be damned. Thus are we miserably on euery syde besieged of cruell and vnrestfull enemies, and like at euery mo-

mome͂t to perish, if we
be not defended with
thy godlye power a-
gaynst their tirannie.
I therefore poore and
wretched sinner, des-
payring of mine owne
strengthes, whiche in
deede are none, moste
hartily pray thee to en-
due me with strength
frō aboue, that I maye
be able throughe thy

helpe

help with strong fayth to resist Satan, with feruent prayer to mortifie the raging lustes of the flesh, with continual meditation of thy holy law, to auoyd the foolishe vanities, and transitorie pleasures of this worlde, that I through thy grace beeing set at libertie from the power of mine ene

mies may liue & serue thee in holinesse & righteousnesse al the dayes of my life. Amen.

For the helpe of Gods holy Angels.

AN infinite number of wicked Angels are there (O Lorde Christ) which without ceasing seeke my destruction. Against this ercœding great multi-

tude of euill spirites, send thou me thy blessed and heauenly Angels, which may pitche their tents roũd about me, and so deliuer me from theyr tyrannie. Thou (O Lorde) hast deuoured hell, & ouercome ỹ prince of darknesse with all hys ministers, yea, and that not for thy selfe, but

for them that beleeue in thee. Suffer me not therefore to be ouercome of Satan, & of his seruãts, but rather let me triumph ouer thẽ, that I through strong fayth, and the helpe of thy blessed Angell hauing the victory of the helliche armie, maye with a ioyful hart say, Deathe where is thy

sting? Yell where is thy victory? and so for euer & euer magnifie thy holy name. Amen.

¶ For the glory of heauen.

THe ioyes (O Lord) whiche thou hast prepared for them that loue thee, no eye hath seene, no eare hathe heard, neyther is any hart able to think. But

as the ioyes are great and vnspeakable, so are there fewe that do enioy them. For streight is the gate, & narrowe is the way, which leadeth vnto lyfe, and few there be that finde it. Notwithstanding, O heauenly Father, thou hast a little flocke, to whom it is thy pleasure to giue the glorious

IACOB

PHIL.

kingdome of heauen. There is a certayn nú-ber of shepe, that heare thy voyce, whō no man is able to plucke out of thy hande, whiche shall neuer perishe, to whom also thou shalte geue eternall lyfe: Make me therefore, O Lorde, of that number, whom thou from euerlasting hast predestinate to be

SIMEO.

IAR-B.

saued, whose names al
so ars writtē in ỹ booke
of life: pluck me out of
the cõpany of the stin-
king Goates, whiche
shal stande on thy lefte
hand & be damned, and
place me among those
thy sheepe, which stand
on thy right hand, and
be saued. Graunte me
this (O mercifull Fa-
ther) for thy deare sons

sake Jesus Christ our Lord. So shal I enioying this singuler benefite at thy hande, and beeing placed in thy glorious kingdome, sing perpetual praises to thy godly Maiestie, which liuest & reignest with thy dearly beloued sonne, & the holy ghost, one true & euerlasting God. Amen.

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Meditations for the soule.

¶ The godly beeing troubled by the wicked, complayneth vnto God.

O My God, my soule is full of trouble: and my lyfe draweth nygh vnto the graue Psalm. 88. The congregation of naughtie men

men haue sought after my soul, and haue not sette thee before their eyes. 86. They laye wayte for my soule. 56. My God, my soule is vexed within mee: my soule is among Lions. 57. For many ther be that say of my soule, there is no helpe for him in his God. 3. They gather

them

them selues together against the soule of the righteous, & condemne the innocēt bloud. My soule is sore troubled: But Lorde how long wilt thou punish me? 6 My soule is filled with the scornfull reproofe of the wealthy, and with the deceiptfulnesse of the proude. 123.

IOAN. IACO.

¶ The

¶ The godly beeing *thus greeued, desireth God to be deliuered.*

VP Lord, disapoynt them, and cast thē down, and deliuer my soul frō the wicked. 17. My God, my soule is vexed within me. Oh keepe my soule & deliuer me. 25. My soule is brought low. 44. And therefore vnto thee, O Lord,

LOrd, will I lift vp my soule. 25. My soul wayteth still vpon thée, O God: for of thée cõmeth my saluatiõ. Saue me, O God, for the waters are come nye, euẽ vnto my soule. 65. Oh draw nighe vnto my soule ✠ saue it: Oh deliuer me because of mine enemies. Comfort ẏ soule of thy seruant, for vnto

thee do I lifte vp my soule. 86. For my soule hath long dwelt amõg them that be enimies to peace. Oh Lorde I beseche thee delyuer my soule. 116. So shall my soule stye vnto the Lorde before the morning watch.

That God would dismay their enimies by his promises.

O my God, say vnto my soule, I am thy saluation. Let them be confounded and put to shame, that seeke after my soul to destroy it. 35 Then shal my soule be ioyful in the Lord, and reioyce in hys saluation. Oh my soule, wayte still vpon God, for of him cõmeth my saluation.

¶ The godly expreſ-
ſeth how good God hath
beene vnto them.

LOrde thou haſte
brought my ſoule
out of hell. 30. And haſt
deliuered my ſoule frō
death. My ſoule hathe
patiētly taried for the
Lord. 31. My ſoule ſhall
make his boaſt of the
Lord: for the Lord deli
uereth the ſouls of his

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MAT.

seruaunts. 34. Ye that feareth the Lorde, hys soule shall dwell at ease. 25. Ye hath deliuered my soul in peace 55. and hath deliuered my soule frō death. 56. O my God, my soule hangeth on thee; thy right hand hath holden me. 63. O prayse our God, whiche holdeth our soul in life. 65. Ye

lippes will be fayne, when I singe vnto thee; and so will my soule, whom thou hast deliuered. 71. Ye shall preserue the soules of the poore, and shall deliuer their soules from wrong. 72. Greate is thy mercy towarde me for thou haste deliuered my soule from the nethermoste hell. 86.

In the multitude of the sorrowes of myne harte, thy comfortes haue refreshed my soule. 93. Turne againe then vnto thy rest, O my soule: for the Lorde hath rewarded thée. Thou hast deliuered my soule from death, mine eyes from teares, and my fete from falling.

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¶ The godlye geueth *thanks for the great benefites, which God hath bestowed vpon thē.*

PRayse thou ȳ Lord, O my soule prayse the Lorde. 104. For he satisfieth ȳ empty soule, & filleth the hungry soule w̄ goodnes. 107. praise ȳ Lord, O my soule, & al ȳ is within me prayse his holy name. 103. Praisey

The Commander

PAVL.

SIMI.

Lorꝛ, O my ſoule, and
forget not all his bene-
fites, whiche forgiueth
all thy ſinne, and hea-
leth all thine infirmi-
ties, and ſaueth thy life
from deſtruction, and
Croweneth thée with
mercy & louing kinde-
neſſe: therefore O my
ſoule prayſe thou the
Lord. Prayſe the Lord
O my ſoule: while I

liue I will prayse the Lorde: yea, as long as I haue any beeing I will sing prayses vnto my God.

¶ A thanksgiuing vnto God for all his benefites.

THy benefites towarde me (O most louing father) are so greate and infinite, whether I haue re-

spect vnto my body, or vnto my soule, ý I find not in my selfe how to recõpence any part of thine vnspekable goodnesse toward me. But thou whiche néedest none of my goods, knowing our beggerie, yea our nothing, requirest of vs for a recompence of thy kindnes only the sacrifice of prayse and

IMO.

AND.

thanksgiuing, O Lord and mercyfull father, what worthy thanks am I poore & wretched sinner able to geue thee? Notwithstãding trusting on thy mercy & fauorable kindnesse, I offer vnto thee in the name of Christ, ỹ sacrifice of praise, euer thãking thee most hartily for all thy benefites

IOSEPH

MARIA

which thou haste be-
stowed vpon me thine
vnprofitable seruant,
from the beginning of
my life vnto this pre-
sent houre, most hum-
bly beseeching thee to
continue thy louyng
kindnes towarde me,
and to giue me grace
to walk worthy of thy
thy fatherly goodnesse,
that when thou shalte

cal me out of this care-
full life, I maye enioy
that thy moſt ſinguler
& laſt benefite, whiche
is euerlaſting glorye
thꝛough Jeſus Chꝛiſte
our Lꝛd, to whom wi
thee, & the holy Ghoſt
be al honour and pꝛaiſe
foꝛ euer & euer. Amen.

A prayer to our Lorde
Ieſus Chriſt, called
Conditor cæli & terræ.

O Ye maker of heaue and earth, king of kings, and Lorde of Lords, whiche of nothing didst make me to thy Image & likenes, and didst redeme me with thine owne precious bloud: whom I a sinner & not worthy to name, nether to call vpon, nether with my hart to thinke vp-

son, humbly I desire
thee, and meekly pray
thee, that gentle thou
do behold methy wic-
ked seruant, and haue
mercy on me, whiche
hadst mercy on ỹ wo-
man of Canaan, and of
Mary Magdalen, whi-
che didest forgiue the
Publicane and ỹ theefe
hanging on the crosse.
Vnto thee I confesse

The Commander

(O most holy Father)
ny sinnes, which if I
wouldе I can not hide
from thee. Haue mercy
on me, Christ: for I a
wretch haue sore offen
ded thee, in pride, in co-
uetousnes, in glotony,
in lechery, in vaynglo-
rie, in hatred, in enuy,
in adultrie, in theft, in
sporting, in dissolute
and wanton laughing,

in

in idle wordes, in hea-
ring, in tasting, in think-
ing, in sleeping, in
working, & in al ways,
in whiche I a frayle
man, & most wretched
sinner might sinne. My
default, my most gree-
uous defaulte, there-
fore I moste humbly
pray and beseeche thy
gentlenes, whiche for
my healthe descended

from

The Penitentiall

from heauen, whiche
didst hold vp king Da-
uid, that he should not
fall into sinne. Haue
mercy on me, O Lord,
haue mercy on me (O
Christ) the which didst
forgiue Peter that did
forsake thee. Thou art
my Creator & my hel-
per, my maker and my
redeemer, my gouer-
nour, my father, my

guide.

Lord, my god, and my king. Thou arte my hope, my trust, my gouernour, my helpe, my comfort, my strength, my defence, my redēptiō, my life, my health, and my resurrection. Thou art my stedfastnesse, my refuge, and succour, my light, and my helpe. I most humbly & hartily desire and

pray thée helpe me, de-
fende me, make me
strong, & comforte me,
make me stedfast, and
make me mery, geue
me lighte, and visite
me, reuiue me agayne
which am dead. For I
am thy making, and
thy worke: Oh Lord,
despise me not, I am
thy seruant, thy bond-
man, althoughe euyll,

althoughe vnworthy, and a sinner. But what so euer I am, whether I be eyther good or bad, I am euer thyne. Therefore to whome shall I flée, except I flée onely vnto thée? If thou cast me of, who shal or wil receyue me? If thou despise me, and turne thy face frō me, who shall

loke vpon me: recog
nise & knowledge me:
Although vnworth
comming to thee, al
though I be vile & vn
cleane, for if I be vyl
& vncleane, thou canst
make me cleane. If I
be sick, thou cãst heale
me. If I be dead and
buried, thou canst re-
uiue me. For thy mer
cy is much more than

nine iniquitie, thou
canst forgiue me more
than I can offende.
Therfore (O Lord) do
not consider, nor haue
respecte to the number
of my sinnes, but acco-
ding to the greatnes of
thy mercy forgiue me,
and haue mercy on me
most wretched sinner:
say vnto my soule, I
am thy health, whiche

IOSEPH

MARIA

saydst: I will not the death of a sinner, but rather that he lyue, and be conuerted, and turne to thée. Oh Lord be not angry with me, I pray thee most meke Father, for thy great mercy, I most humbly beseeth thée, that thou bring me to the blisse that neuer shal ceasse. Amen.

¶ A prayer to be ſayd at the houre of death.

O Lord Jeſu, whiche art the only health of all men liuing, and the euerlaſtyng lyfe of them whiche dye in thy fayth. I wretched ſinner geue and ſubmit my ſelfe wholly vnto thy moſte bleſſed will. And I beeing

sure, that the thing can
not perish, which is cõ-
mitted vnto thy mer-
cy: O Lord, geue me
grace, that willingly I
may leaue this frayle
& wicked flesh, in hope
of ỹ resurrectiõ, which
in better wise shall re-
store it to me agayne,
I beseeche thée (most
mercifull Lorde Jesus
Christ) that thou wilt

by thy grace make
strong my soul against
al temptations: & that
thou wilte couer and
defende me wyth the
buckler of thy mercy,
against al the assaults
of the diuell. I see, and
knowledge that there
is in my selfe no helpe
of saluation. But all
my confidence, hope,
and trustis in thy most

mercifull goodnesse. I haue no merites, nor good workes, whiche I may alledge before thee. Of my sinnes, and euill workes, alas, I see a greate heape, but through thy mercye, I truste to bee in the number of them, to whome thou wilte not impute their sinnes: but take and ac-

cept me for righteous and iuſt, and to be the enheritoure of euerlaſting life: thou merciful Lord waſt borne for my ſake, thou didſt ſuffer both hunger and thirſt, for my ſake, thou didſt preach and teache, thou didſt pray and faſte for my ſake, thou diddeſt all good workes and

deedes

déedes foz my sake.
Thou sufferedst most
greeuous paynes and
tozments foz my sake
And finally thou ga-
uest thy most pzecious
body to dye, and thy
bloud to be shed on the
crosse foz my sake.
Nowe most mercifull
Sauiour, let all these
things pzofite me whi
che thou fréely hast ge-

uen me, that haste ge-
uen thy selfe for me.
Let thy bloud clense &
wash away the spottes
& foulnes of my sinnes.
Let thy righteousnesse
hide and couer mine vn
righteousnesse. Let thy
merites of thy passion
and bloud be a satisfac-
tion for my sinnes: geue
mee Lorde thy grace,
that my fayth and sal-
uation

uation in thy bloude,
wauer not in me, but
euer be firme and con-
stant that the hope of
thy mercy, and life e-
uerlasting, neuer de-
cay in me, that charity
ware not colde in me:
finally, that the weak-
nes of my flesshe be not
ouercome with feare
of death. Graunt me
mercyfull Sauiour,

CHRI.

PETR.

that when death hath shutte vp the eyes of my body, yet that the eyes of my soule may still beholde, and loke vpon thee, that when deathe hathe taken awaye the vse of my tongue, and speache, yet, that my heart may cry and say vnto thee:

In manus tuas Domine commendo Spiritum meum:

MAT.

MAR.

neum: that is to saye.
O Lorde, into thy
handes I geue, and
committe my soule.
Domine Iesu accipe spiritum meum:
Lorde Jesu, receyue
my soule vnto thee.
Amen.

A thanks

A thankesgiuing vnto God for the departure of the faythfull out of this worlde.

O Howe can wee (most louing Father) render vnto thee sufficient thanks for thine inestimable goodnes towarde thy faythfull seruants, whom thou calling oute of this wretched worlde,

M. vnder

vouchsafeste to place in thy heauenly kingdome among the glorious companie of thy holy Angels, and blessed Saincles. O full precious is the deathe of the faythfull in thy sighte. Blessed are the dead, that dye in thée (O Lorde) for they are at reste from theyr paynefull trauayles,

IACO.

PHI.

and labours. The soules of the righteous are in thy hande, O God, and the payne of death shall not touche them. In the sighte of the vnwise they appeare to dye, but they are in peace. They shine as the sparkes, that run through ỹ red bushe. They glister as the shining of heauen.

IOAN.

IACO.

They are as the ſtars worlde without ende. They are as Angels of God. They are clad w̄ white garmentes, and haue golden crownes vpō their heads. They do ſeruice day & nighte before the glorious throne of thy diuine Maieſtie. They nether hunger nor thirſt any more, neyther doth the

sunne or any heate fal vpon thē: for the lamb which is in the midst of the throne, gouerneth them, & leadeth them vnto the liuing fountaynes of waters: they follow the lambe whither so euer he goeth. They haue such ioyes as eye hath not seene, nor eare hath not hard, neyther is there anye

harte able to thinke them. Infinite and vnspeakable are the treasures (O Lord) which thou hast layde vp for them that departe in thy fayth. For thy fatherly benefites toward the soules of the faythfull, and for that it hath pleased thee to call our Christian brethren and sisters from

this vale of miſerie, vn
to thy heauenly king-
dome, we geue vnto
thee moſt hartie than-
kes, humbly beſeching
thee, that thou wilte
take lyke care for vs,
and gouerne vs with
thy holy ſpirite, both in
ſickneſſe and in health,
that wée may lyue a
good and godly lyfe in
this preſent worlde:

PAVL.

SIMI.

and whē soeuer it shall
be thy good pleasure to
call vs hence, we may
with strong faythe in
thée, & in thy sonne Je-
su Christ our Lord, cō-
mende both our bodies
& soules into thy mer-
cifull hands, & through
thy goodnesse be placed
in thy glorious king-
dome among thy faith-
full chosen people, and

so for euer and euer
prayse & magnifie thée,
our heauenly Father,
to whō with thy dearly
beloued sonne Jesus
Christ our Lorde and
Sauiour, and the holy
Ghost, that most swéet
comforter, be all glory
& honor, worlds with-
out ende. Amen.

Geue the glory to
God alone.

¶ The Letanie.

O God the Father of heauen, haue mercy vpon vs miserable sinners.

O God the Father of heauen, haue mercy. &c.

O God the sonne redeemer of the worlde, haue mercy vppon vs miserable sinners.

O God the sonne. &c.

O God the holy Ghost proceeding from the father

Father and the sonne:
haue mercy vppon vs
miserable sinners.

O God the holy &c.

O holy, blessed, & glo-
rious Trinitie, three
persons and one God:
haue mercy vpon vs
miserable sinners.

O holy, blessed. &c.

Remember not Lorde
our offences, nor the
offences of oure fore-
fathers,

fathers, neyther take thou vengeance of our sinnes. Spare vs good Lorde, spare thy people, whom thou haste redeemed wyth thy moste precious bloud, and be not angry with vs for euer.

Spare vs good Lorde.

From all euill & mischief, from sinne, from the craftes & assaultes of

of the diuell, from thy wrath, and from euerlasting damnation.

- Good Lord deliuer vs.

From all blindnesse of hart, from pride, vaynglory, and hypocrisie, from enuy, hatred, and malice, and all vncharitablenesse.

- Good Lord deliuer vs.

From fornication and all deadly sinne, and

from

From all the deceiptes
of the world, the flesh
and the diuell.

Good Lord deliuer vs.

From lightnings and
tempests, frō plague,
pestilence, and famine
from battel and mur-
der, and from sodayne
death.

Good Lord deliuer vs.

From all sedition and
priuie conspiracie, frō

all

al false doctrine and he-
resie, from all hardnes
of harte, and contempt
of thy worde and com-
maundement.

Good Lord deliuer vs.

By the mysterie of thy
holy incarnation, by
thy holy natiuitie and
circumcision, by thy
baptisme, fasting, and
temptation.

Good Lord deliuer vs.

By

Letany.

By thine agonie and bloudy swette, by thy crosse and passion, by thy precious death and burial, by thy glorious resurrectiõ and ascen-tion, and by the com-mynge of the holye Ghost.

Good Lord deliuer vs.

In all tyme of our tribulation, in al time of our wealth, in the houre

houre of deathe, and in the daye of iudgement.

PAVL.

SIMI.

Good Lord deliuer vs.

We sinners doo beseeche thee to heare vs (O Lorde God) and that it may please thee to rule and governe thy holy Churche vniuersally in the right way.

Wee beseeche thee too

heare vs good Lorde.

That it maye pleaſe thee to kæpe and ſtrengthen in the true worſhipping of thee, in ryghteouſneſſe and holineſſe of lyfe, thy ſeruaunte Elizabeth oure moſte gracious Quéene and Gouernour.

We beſeech thee. &c.

That it maye pleaſe thee

thee to rule her heart in thy fayth, feare, and loue, and that she may euermore haue affiance in thee, and euer seeke thy honour and glory.

We beseech thee. &c.

That it maye please thee to be her defender and keeper, giuing her the victorie ouer al her enemies.

Letany.

We beseech thee. &c.
That it maye please thee to illuminate all Bysshops, Pastours, and Ministers of the Churche, wyth true knowledge and vnderstanding of thy worde, and that both by their preaching and lyuing they maye set it forth, and shew it accordingly.

We beseech thee. &c.

That

That it maye please thee to endue the Lordes of the counsel, and all the Nobilitie, with grace, wisedome, and vnderstanding.

We beseech thee. &c.

That it maye please thee to blesse and keepe the Magistrates, geuing thē grace to execute iustice & to maynteyne truth.

Letany.

We beseech thee. &c.
That it maye please thee to blesse and kéepe all thy people.

IACO.

We beseech thee. &c.
That it maye please thee to geue to all nations vnitie, peace, and concorde.

PHI.

We beseech thee. &c.
That it maye please thee too geue vs an hart to loue and dread thee,

thee, and diligently to liue after thy cõmaundements.

We beseech thee. &c.

That it maye please thee too geue all thy people increse of grace to heare mékely thy word, and to receyue it with pure affeciõ, and to bring forth ỹ fruits of the spirite.

We beseech thee. &c.

That it maye please thee to bring into the way of truth, all suche as haue erred and are deceyued.

We beseeche thee. &c.

That it maye please thee to strengthen such as dow stands, and to comfort and helpe the weake harted, and to rayse vp them that fal, and finallye to beate downe

downe Sathan vnder our fæte.

We beseech thee.&c.

That it maye please thee to succour, helpe, and comfort all that be in daunger, necessitie, and tribulation.

We beseech thee.&c.

That it maye please thée to preserue al that trauell by lande, or by water, all women la-

bouring of chylde, all ſicke perſons, and yong chyldren, and to ſhewe thy pitie vpon all priſoners and captiues.

We beſeech thee. &c.

That it maye pleaſe thee to defend and prouide for the fatherleſſe chyldren and widowes, and to all that be deſolate and oppreſſed.

We beſeech thee. &c.

That it maye pleaſe

thée to haue mercy vpon all men.

We beseech thee. &c.

That it maye please thee to forgiue our enemies, persecuters, and slaunderers, and to turne their harts.

We beseech thee. &c.

That it maye please thee to geue and preserue to oure vse the kindly fruites of the earth,

earthe, ſo as in due tyme we maye enioy them.

We beſeech thee. &c.

That it maye pleaſe thee to geue vs true repentaunce, to forgeue vs all our ſinnes, negligences and ignoraunces, and to endue vs wyth the grace of thy holye ſpirite, to amende our liues accor-

cozdyng to thy holye
wozde.

IOAN.

We beseech thee. &c.

Sonne of God, we be-
seeche thee to heare
vs.

Sonne of God, we. &c

O Lambe of God that
takest away ỹ sinnes
of the wozld.

Graunt vs thy peace.

O Lambe of God that
takest away ỹ sinnes

of

IACO.

of the world.

Haue mercy vpon vs.

O Christ heare vs.

O Christ heare vs.

Lorde haue mercy vpon vs.

Lord haue mercy. &c.

Christ haue mercy vpon vs.

Christ haue mercy. &c.

Lorde haue mercy vpon vs.

Lord haue mercy. &c.

¶ Our Father. &c.

And

And leade vs not into temptation.

But deliuer vs from euill. Amen.

The versicle.

O Lord deale not with vs after our sinnes.

Answvere.

Neyther rewarde vs after our iniquities.

Let vs pray.

O God mercifull father, that despisest not

not the ſighyng of a contrite harte, noꝛ the deſire of ſuche as be ſoꝛowfull, mercyfully aſſiſte our pꝛayers that we make beforꝛe thée in al our troubles and aduerſities when ſo euer they oppꝛeſſe vs: and graciouſly heare vs, that thoſe euils, which the crafte and ſubtiltie of the Diuell, oꝛ man

woꝛ=

worketh agaynſt vs,
be brought to nought,
and by the prouidence
of thy goodneſſe, they
may be diſperſed, that
we thy ſeruaunts be-
ing hurte by no per-
ſecutions, may euer-
more geue thanks vn-
to thee in thy holye
Church, throughe Je-
ſus Chriſt our Lorde.

O Lord ariſe, helpe vs,

and deliuer vs for thy names sake.

O GOD we haue heard with our eares, and our Fathers haue declared vnto vs the noble worke that thou diddest in their dayes, and in the olde tyme before them.

O Lord arise, helpe vs, and deliuer vs for thyne honour.

Glorye be to the Fa-

ther,

ther, and to the sonne,
and to the holy Ghost.
As it was in the be-
ginning, is nowe. &c.
Amen.
From our enemies de
fende vs, O Christ.
Graciously looke vpon
our afflictions.
Pitifully beholde the
sorowes of our harts.
Mercifully forgiue the
sinnes of the people.
O. y. Fa-

Fauorably with mercy heare our prayers.

MAT.

O sonne of Dauid haue mercy vpon vs.

MAR.

Both nowe and euer vouchsafe to heare vs, O Christ.

Graciously heare vs, O Christ: graciously heare vs. O Lord Christ.

O Lord, let thy mercy be shewed vpon vs.

As we do put our trust in thee.

Let

Let vs pray.

WE hũbly beseech thee (O Father) mercifully to looke vpon oure infirmities, and for the glorye of thy names sake turne from vs all those euils that we moste righteously haue deserued. And graunt that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust

confidence in thy mercy, and euermore serue thee in holynes & pureness of liuing, to thy honor & glory, through our only mediator and aduocate Iesus Christ our Lorde. Amen.

¶ A prayer for the queenes Maiestie.

O Lord our heauenly Father, Kyng

of Kinges, Lorde of Lordes, the onely ruler of Princes, whiche doest from thy throne beholde all the dwellers vppon the earth: moste hartely we beseeche thee with thy fauour to beholde oure moste gracious Soueraigne Ladye Queene Elizabeth, and so replenishe her wyth the

grace of thy holye ſpi-
rite, that ſhe maye al-
way incline to thy will
and walke in thy way.
Indue hir plentifully
with heauenly giftes:
graunte her in health
and welth long to liue:
ſtrength hir that ſhe
may vanquiſh & ouer-
come all hir enimies.
And finally after thys
life, ſhe maye attayne

SIMEO.

IAN. B.

euerlasting ioy & felicitie, through Jesus Christ our lord. Amē.

For rayne, if the time require.

O God heauenly father, which by thy sonne Jesus Christe hast promised to all them that seeke thy kingdome, and the righteousnesse therof, all thinges necessarie

to their bodily ſuſte-
naunce: ſende vs we
beſeeche thee in this
our neceſſitie ſuch mo-
derate rayne & ſhoures
that we may receyue
the fruites of the earth
to our comfort, and to
thy honour, throughe
Jeſus Chriſt our Lord
Amen.

For fayre vveather.

O Lorde God which

for

for the sinne of man, diddest once drowne al the worlde excepte eyghte persons, and afterwarde of thy greate mercy diddest promise neuer to destroy it so againe, we humbly beseech thee, that although we for oure iniquities haue worthily deserued this plague of rayne, and waters: yet vpon

our

our true repentance thou wilt send vs such weather, wherby we may receiue the fruts of the earth in due seaſon, and learne bothe by thy punishment to amende our liues, and for thy clemency to geue thee prayse and glory, throughe Jesus Christ our Lorde. Amen.

A prayer of Chri-
ſoſtome.

ALmightie GOD, whiche haſt giuen vs grace at thys tyme with one accorde to make oure common ſupplicatiõs vnto thee, and doſt promiſe, that when two or three be gathered in thy name, thou wilt graũt their requeſts: Fulfill now

(O Lorde) the desires and petitions of thy seruauntes as may be most expedient for thē: graunting vs in this world the knowledge of thy truth, and in the worlde to come, life euerlasting. Amen.

LVC.

IOA.

In the time of dearth and famine.

O God heauenly fa-ther, whose gifte i

is that the rayne dothe fall, the earth is fruitfull, beastes increase, and fyshes do multiplie. Beholde we beseeche thee, the afflictions of thy people, and graunt that the scarcitie and dearth, which we do nowe most iustlye suffer for oure iniquitie, maye throughe thy goodnesse be mer-

ciful

cyfullye turned into cheapneſſe and plenty, foꝛ the loue of Jeſus Chꝛiſt oure Loꝛde: to whom with thee, and the holy Ghoſt, &c.

Or thus.

O God mercifull father, whiche in the time of Heliſeus the Pꝛophete diddeſt ſodenly turne in Samaria, great ſcarſitie and dearth.

dearth, into plẽty and extreme famine into abundance of victual: haue pitie vpõ vs that now be punished for our sinnes, with lyke aduersity, encrease the fruites of the earth by thy heauenly benediction. And graunt that we receiuing thy louĩtifull liberalitie, maye vse the same to thy

glory, our cõforte, and
reliefe of oure nẽdie
neighboures, through
Jesus Christe oure
Lorde. Amen.

In the time of vvarre.

O Almightie God,
king of all kings,
and gouernour of all
things, whose power
no creature is able to
resist, to whome it be-
longeth iustlye to pu-

nishe

niſhe ſinners, and to
be merciful vnto them
that truly repent: ſaue
and deliuer vs we hū-
bly beſeech thee, from
the handes of our ene-
mies, abate their pride,
aſſwage their malice,
and confounde their
deuyſes, that wée bée-
ing armed wyth thy
defence, maye be pre-
ſerued euermoze from

all perils, to glorifie thee, which art the only geuer of all victory: through the merites of thy onely sonne Iesus Christ our Lord. Amē.

¶ In the time of any common plague or sickneſſe.

O Almightie GOD whiche in thy wrath, in the tyme of king Dauid didst slay

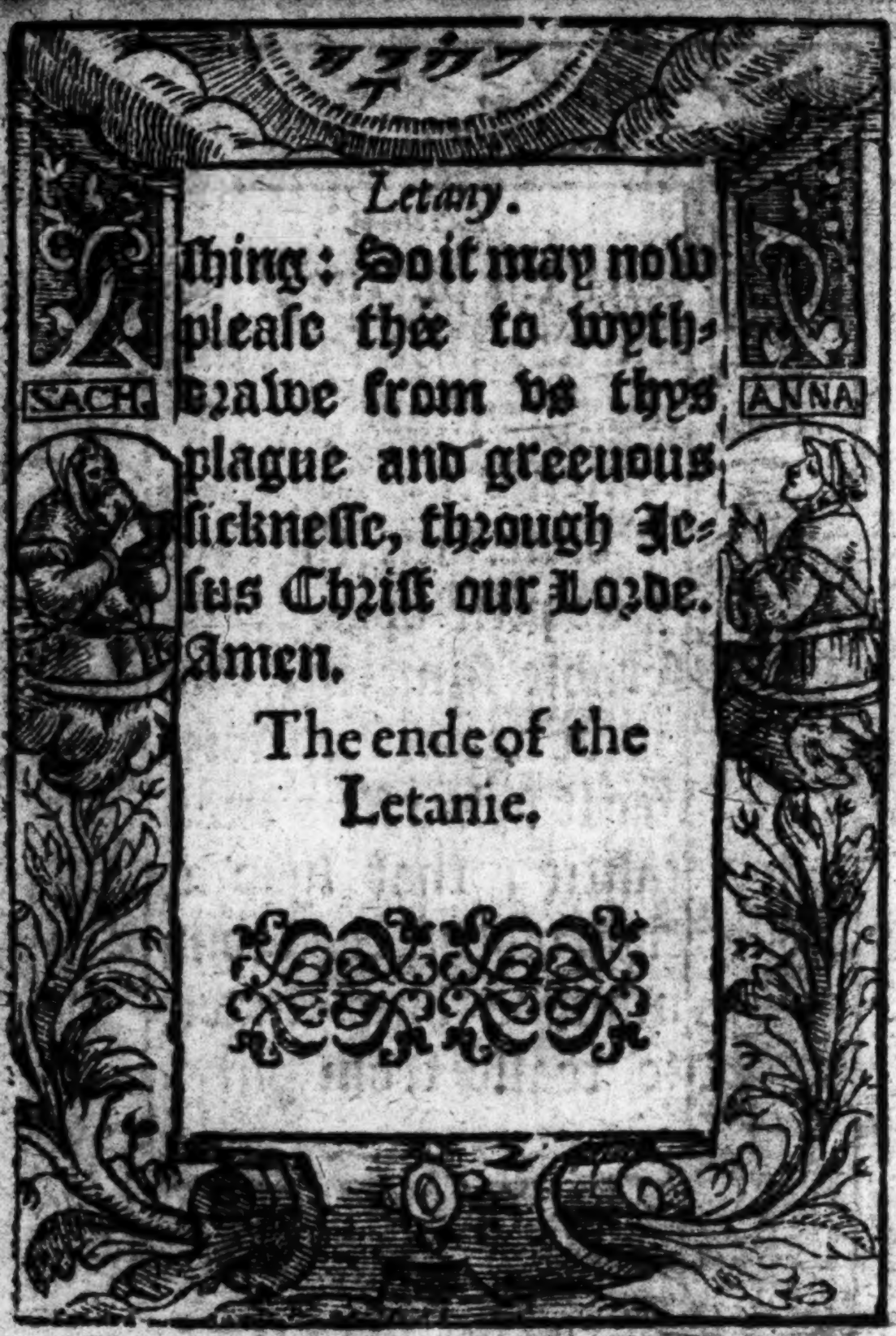
SIMO.

IVDA.

with the plague of pe-
ſtilence threeſcore and
ten thouſande, and yet
remembring thy mer-
cy didſt ſaue the reſt,
haue pitie vpon vs mi-
ſerable ſinners, that
nowe are viſited with
great ſickneſſe & mor-
talitie, that lyke as
thou diddeſt then com-
maunde thine Angels
to ceaſſe from puny-

thing: Soit may now
pleaſe thée to wyth-
drawe from vs thys
plague and greeuous
ſickneſſe, through Je-
ſus Chriſt our Lorde.
Amen.

The ende of the
Letanie.



Generall Collects.

ASSIST vs mercyfully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the waye of thy seruauntes towarde the attaynment of euerlasting saluation, that among all the chaunges & chaūces of this mortall life, they may euer be defēded by thy most

gracious and readie helpe, through Christ our Lorde. Amen.

PReuent vs, O Lord in all oure doings with thy moste gracious fauour, & further vs with thy continual helpe, that in all our workes begun, continued, & ended in thee, we maye glorifie thy holy name, and finally

prayers.

by thy mercy obteyne euerlasting life thrǒugh the Jesus Christ our Lǒrde. Amen.

ALmightie GOD, the fountayne of all wisedome, whiche knowest oure necessities before we aske, and our ignorance in asking: we beseeche thée to haue compassion vppon our infirmities,

mities, and those thinges which for our vnworthynesse we dare not, and for our blindnesse we can not aske, vouchesafe to geue vs for the worthinesse of thy sonne Iesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The ende of the Collects.

A thanksgiuing vnto God for the safe deliuerie of vvomen with childe.

AMonge other thy benefites, yea, and those innumerable, whiche thou dayly bestowest vppon vs thy needie and powre creatures, this is not the least (O moste mercyfull Father) that thou

of

of thy tender goodnes
doest vouchsafe for the
conseruation of man-
kinde to preserue the
women that are with
childe, and to geue the
safe delyueraunce of
their burden, by thys
meanes making them
glad & ioyful mothers.
For this thy benefite
and good will towarde
vs, we so hartily thāke

thée, as hart can think,
beseching thée to worke
such thankfulnesse in
the hartes of all mo-
thers by thy holy spi-
rit, that they being not
vnmindful of this high
benefite of their safe
deliuerance wrought
ently by the Sauiour
of all mankinde, may
shew themselues thank-
full vnto thée, for this

thy

thy goodneſſe, and ne-
uer forgette that thy
preſent helpe, & moſte
ſweéte comfort, which
thou mercifully ſhe-
wedſt vppon them in
their great trauels, la-
bours and paynes,
whē they fled vnto thy
holy name for ſuccour,
as vnto a ſtrong bul-
warke, & holy defence.
Go forth, O Lorde, to

make them the ioyfull mothers of many chil-
dzē. Endue them with long life, that they may
sée their childzens chil-
dzen. And the childzen that thou geuest vn-
to them, make thou as in age, so lykewise in wysedome, and in the aboundaunce of thy holy spirite to en-
crease that they may

haue

haue fauour both with thée, and with all good men, vnto the glory of thy most blessed name. Amen.

¶ A priuate prayer for vvomen to say when they are deliuered of childe.

O Almightie GOD, which onely hast deliuered by thy wonderfull worke, me thy hum-

humble ſeruant from the greate payne and peril of my childbirth: Graunte me nowe I beſeech thée, moſt mercyfull father, that I thzough thy help may both faythfully liue & walk in my vocation, accozding to thy will, in this pzeſente lyfe. And graunt thzoughe thy deare ſonne Jeſus

Prayers.

Chriſt, that when the dayes of this my pilgrimage ſhalbe ended I maye reſte in thy peace, in thy heauenly kingdome, Amen.

O Almightie Lorde, & euerliuing God, vouchſafe we beſeeche thee to direct, ſanctifie, and gouerne both our hartes and bodies in the ways of thy lawes,

and

Prayers.

and in the workes of thy commaundementes: that throughe thy moste mightie protection, bothe heere and euer wee maye be preserued in body & soule: through our Lorde and sauiour Jesus Christ. Amen.

GRaunt we beseech thee Almyghtye God, that the wordes

IOAN.

IACO.

whiche we haue heard
this day with our out-
warde eares, may tho-
roughe thy grace be so
grafted inwardlye in
our hartes, that they
may bring forth in dy
the fruites of good li-
uing, to the honor and
prayse of thy name:
through Jesus Christ
our Lorde. Amen.

All

Prayers.

ALmightie GOD, which hast promised to heare the petitions of them that aske in thy sonnes name: we beseech thée mercifully to encline thyne eares to vs that haue made now our prayers and supplications vnto thee: and graunte that those things whiche we haue faithfully

asked accozding to thy will, maye effectually be obteyned, to the relieke of our neceſſitie, & to the ſetting fozthe of thy glozy: thzough Jeſus Chriſte oure Lozde. Amen.

TUrne thou vs, O gwd Lozde, and ſo ſhall we be turned: Bee fauourable (O Lozde) be fauourable

to thy people, whiche turne to thée in weeping, fasting, and prayeing: for thou art a mercifull God, full of compassion, long suffering, and of gret pitie. Thou spareſt when wee deserue punyſhmente, and in thy wrathe thynkeſt vppon mercye. Spare thy people good Lorde, spare

them, and let not thy
heritage be brought
to confusion, heare
vs, O Lorde, for thy
mercy is great, and af-
ter the multitude
of thy mercies
looke vpon
vs.

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